Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to district judges and district courts."

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated to pay expenses for carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

[Note.—S. J. R. No. 11 was passed by the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 22, nays 2, and Senate concurred in House amendment by a two-thirds vote, years 24, nays 0; and was passed by the House of Representatives by a two-thirds vote, yeas 113, nays 0.]

Approved April 1, 1913.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION AMENDING SECTION 24, ARTICLE 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION INCREASING COMPENSATION OF THE LEGISLATURE AND EXTENDING LENGTH OF REGULAR SESSION.

## S. J. R. No. 26.] SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section No. 24, of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to compensation for members of the Legislature.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That at the next general election of the State of Texas for the election of State officers, or at a previous general election, in case a general election for the State shall be sooner ordered by the Governor for other purposes, there shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Texas, for their adoption or rejection, the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, as provided for in Section 1, Article 17 of said Constitution, relating to proposed amendments thereto, it being intended to amend Section 24, Article 3, of said Constitution, relating to the pay of members of the Legislature, and extension of term of regular sessions, so that the said Section shall read as follows:

Section 24. The members of the Legislature shall each receive from the public treasury as compensation for their services twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars for the year in which each regular session of the Legislature is held, payable in equal installments on the twentieth days of January, April, July and October of the year in which the regular session is held, and five dollars per day for each day of every special session held in the year next succeeding that in which any regular sessions is held. In addition to said compensation the members of each house shall be entitled to mileage going to and returning from the seat of government, which mileage shall not exceed five cents per mile, the distance to be computed by the nearest and most direct route of travel by land, regardless of railways or water routes; and the Comptroller of the State shall prepare and preserve a table of distances to each county seat, now or hereafter to be established, and by said table the mileage of each member shall be paid. Each regular session shall continue until the business of such session is disposed of.

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation submitting this amendment to be voted upon by

the qualified electors for members of the Legislature, at the first general election to be held in this State. Those favoring the amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "For amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution increasing compensation of the Legislature, and extending the length of the regular session of the Legislature." Those opposing said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against amendment to Section 24 of Article 3 of the Constitution increasing compensation of the members of the Legislature, and extending the term of regular sessions of the Legislature."

SEC. 3. The sum of five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the State Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of such

proclamation, publication and election.

[Note.—S. J. R. No. 26 passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 26, nays 0, and Senate concurred in House amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 23, nays 1; and was passed by the House of Representatives with amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 101, nays 22.]

Approved April 3, 1913.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THIS STATE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS, AND ALSO FOR THE OPERATION OF PUBLIC WAREHOUSES FOR STORING, HANDLING, CLASSING, MEASURING, WEIGHING, ELEVATING AND LOADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

S. J. R. No. 4. SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION.

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of this State.

SECTION 1. Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that Section 52 of Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 52. The Legislature shall have no power to authorize any county, city, town or other political corporation or sub-division of the State, to lend its credit or to grant public money or thing of value in aid of, or to, any individual, association or corporation whatsoever, or to become a stockholder in such corporation, association or company; provided, however, that under legislative provision any county, any political subdivision of a county, any number of adjoining counties, or any political subdivision of the State, or any defined district now or hereafter to be described and defined within the State of Texas, and which may or may not include towns, villages, or municipal corporations, upon a vote of a majority of the resident tax-payers voting thereon, who are qualified electors of such district or territory to be affected thereby, in addition to all other debts may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit in any amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of such district or territory, except that the total bonded